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SUBJ: K-MART DROPS SHOPLIFTING CHARGES AGAINST BULGARIAN
MISSION FAMILY

REF: USUN 5509

1. MORNING OF FEBRUARY 24TH, WE SPOKE TO ARTHUR E. RILEY,
EASTERN REGIONAL MANAGER OF K-MART STORES CONCERNING ARREST
OF IVAN PANOV AND HIS WIFE MARIA ON CHARGES OF SHOPLIFTING.
WE ASKED HIM TO TAKE STEPS TO SEE THAT CHARGES AGAINST
PANOVs WERE DROPPED. RILEY SAID HE WOULD LOOK INTO MATTER.

2. SHORTLY AFTERWARD, RILEY PHONED AND STATED THAT IN
VIEW OF OUR REQUEST, K-MART AGREED TO DROP CHARGES. HE
EXPRESSED HOPE THAT BULGARIAN MISSION WOULD CALL PANOVs TO
TASK FOR THEIR MISDEEDS.

3. WE SPOKE TO VALENTINE BOJLOV (BULGARIA) AND INFORMED
HIM CHARGES HAD BEEN DROPPED. WE STATED THAT MANAGER OF
K-MART STORES WAS CONVINCED PANOVs HAD BEEN SWITCHING PRICE
TAGS FOR SOME TIME, AND THEY HAD BEEN OBSERVED COMMITTING
THIS ILLEGAL ACT WHEN THEY WERE ARRESTED ON
FEBRUARY 22ND. WE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT BULGARIAN
MISSION WOULD SEVERELY CHASTISE THEM.

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4. BULJOV EXPRESSED THANKS FOR ASSISTANCE RENDERED
BY USUN. HE SAID HE WOULD INFORM AMBASSADOR YANKOV
OF WHAT WE HAD SAID.
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